

CalBRACE Goals and Objectives

CalBRACE represents an opportunity to bridge the gap between CDPH's aspirational goals and the practical steps of adaptation planning and implementation. CalBRACE will create a coherent and effective climate adaptation program that provides public health data, analysis, targeted technical assistance, and messaging and that coordinates with other agencies and stakeholders in California and nationally.

The goals of CalBRACE are to:

- Prepare California for adaptation to climate change and reduce the risk of adverse health consequences of climate change
- Identify adaptation strategies that have health co-benefits
- Build internal capacity at CDPH and build capacity in local health departments
- Build capacity to work with and establish ongoing relationships with external stakeholders, and
- Elevate the role of health in other stakeholder's adaptation planning.

The objectives of CalBRACE are to:

- Describe the range of anticipated climate changes for California's diverse geographies
- Identify the vulnerable populations for different climate change risk factors in sub-county geographies
- Project the additional disease burden from climate change at the county level
- Identify interventions that the public health sector can implement with its partners and that build community resilience
- Develop and implement a plan for adaptation in health sector, and
- Engage and educate stakeholders on health impacts and adaptation plans.